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Letter dated 30 November 2018 from the Security Council Facilitator for the implementation of resolution 2231 (2015) addressed to the President of the Security Council

I have the honour to transmit herewith the sixth report of the Joint Commission to the Security Council on the status of the Procurement Working Group's decisions and on any implementation issues, which covers the period from 13 June 2018 to 30 November 2018.

I should be grateful if the present letter and the report could be issued as a document of the Security Council.

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Report of the Joint Commission to the Security Council on the status of the Procurement Working Group's decisions and on any implementation issues

1. This is the sixth report of the Joint Commission, established by the Joint Comprehensive Plan of Action, to the Security Council on the status of the Procurement Working Group's decisions and on any implementation issues. It provides an overview of the work undertaken by the Procurement Working Group from 13 June to 30 November 2018.

2. The Procurement Working Group comprises the States that are participants in the Joint Comprehensive Plan of Action, with a designated representative of the High Representative of the European Union for Foreign Affairs and Security Policy serving as Coordinator. As at 9 May 2018, the work of the Procurement Working Group continues without the participation of the United States of America.

3. During the reporting period, the Procurement Working Group held six meetings. Representatives of the International Atomic Energy Agency participated as observers in one of the meetings. The Procurement Working Group reviewed five proposals from one State: four were recommended for approval and one is currently under review. With regard to the three proposals, which were under review during the previous reporting period, one was recommended for disapproval and two were withdrawn by the proposing State.

4. Documents relating to the work of the Procurement Working Group, as endorsed by the Joint Commission and updated in September 2017, are publicly available, including through the Security Council website dedicated to the implementation of resolution 2231 (2015).

5. The participants in the Procurement Working Group continued to engage with Member States to raise awareness of the procurement channel process and to explain the role and objectives of the Procurement Working Group. With a view to supporting these efforts, a series of non-binding outreach messages has been developed.

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